

Appl. No. 10/069,494
Amdt. dated August 27, 2003
Reply to Office Action April 24, 2003

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In further response to the Office Action new claim 22 is being presented herewith.

Tanner discloses a jelly or paste composition which polymerizes at the ignition temperature (see abstract). In contrast, the present flammable mass is melted at the temperature of combustion. See present specification, for example at page 6, line 22, where the mass is said to melt at 52-54 degrees Celsius well below the boiling temperature of water. Accordingly, claim 22 is not suggested by Tanner.

In the event there are further issues remaining the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone attorney to reach agreement to expedite issuance of this application.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Since the present claims set forth the present invention patentably and distinctly, and are not taught by the cited art either taken alone or in combination, this amendment is believed to place this case in condition for allowance and the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider the matter, enter this amendment, and to allow all of the claims in this case.

Respectfully submitted


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I hereby certify that the accompanying Supplemental Amendment is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent Office on August 27, 2003.


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